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Title:

PROCESS FOR THE RECOVERY OF FLUORINATED EMULSIFIERS FROM

**AQUEOUS PHASES** 

## PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR § 1.136(a)

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Under the provisions of 37 CFR § 1.136(a), Applicant petitions to extend the period for filing a reply in the above-identified application. The requested extension and appropriate fee are as follows (check time period desired):

 $\boxtimes$  37 CFR § 1.17(a)(1) - Extension within first month

37 CFR § 1.17(a)(2) - Extension within second month

37 CFR § 1.17(a)(3) - Extension within third month

37 CFR § 1.17(a)(4) - Extension within fourth month.

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